

# St. Helens Needs Thirty New Dwellings. A Good Investment. Get Busy Now

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### THIRTY MORE CALLED BY EXEMPTION BOARD

#### PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

County's Quota to Be Filled and Next Draft Prepared For.

The local exemption board has called thirty Columbia county men to appear at the courthouse at 9:00 o'clock on Monday, November 12, to undergo physical examination preparatory for military service in the United States army. It is understood that some of the men sent to Camp Lewis have been rejected and there is still a shortage in the county's quota, and from the names now on file a sufficient number will be certified to make up the number of men required from the county. Those who have been notified to appear are:

John Stinch, Firwood.  
Allison George Keys, Rainier.  
Aphane U. Tanner, Scappoose.  
Eric Nystrom, Astoria.  
Luka Skako, Portland.  
Elmer J. Colvin, Marshfield.  
Alden Wallace John, Vernonia.  
Floyd Burnham, Rainier.  
Frank S. Ogawa, Goble.  
John Callan, Rainier.  
Bar C. Gustafson, Firwood.  
Jans Peter Hansen, St. Helens.  
Nelson S. Rogers, Vernonia.  
Anton Antonopaula, Portland.  
Charles E. Gorman, Clatskanie.  
Bernardino Barbera, Warren.  
Otto Lee Luman, Houlton.  
Charles Jurnu, Clatskanie.  
Robert W. Harvey, Clatskanie.  
Peter Engelhardt, Rainier.  
Peter E. Peterson, Rainier.  
James W. Hunt, St. Helens.  
H. F. Richardson, St. Helens.  
Fritjof N. Jensen, Rainier.  
Otto Koski, Clatskanie.  
Guy C. Dailey, Nerastil.  
Cleveland C. Stepp, Portland.  
John F. Campbell, Rainier.  
Ira R. Aldridge, Mist.  
M. A. Gallan, Stevens Point, Wis.

Several of the men whose names appear above have enlisted in the service since their names were drawn in the draft, and of course they will not be called on to appear, but those who are on the waiting list are expected to show up, as the penalties for violation of or evasion of the selective service law are very severe and are being rigidly enforced.

### PROGRAM OF SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Will Be Held in Scappoose Today and Tomorrow.

The annual Sunday school convention for Columbia county will be held at the Congregational church in Scappoose beginning this morning. The following program will be given:

**Friday Afternoon**  
Devotional Service  
Rev. C. H. Johnston, Scappoose  
Business Session—Reports of Officers, Committee Appointments, Etc.  
Music  
"The Teacher in the Sunday School"—Mrs. A. Danenhower  
Discussion  
"The Absent Parent and the Sunday School"—Rev. Gelvin, Clatskanie  
Supper by Scappoose Ladies

**Friday Evening**  
Song Service—Led by R. F. Niblock  
Devotions  
Rev. S. D. Johnson, Clatskanie  
Antiphon—Scappoose Choir  
Address—"The World View"—Mrs. Danenhower  
Antiphon—Scappoose Choir  
Benediction

**Saturday Morning**  
Song Service—Led by J. H. McCoy  
Devotional Service—Rev. A. S. Hisey  
"Character Building"—The Supreme Mission  
Rev. C. H. Johnston, Scappoose  
Music  
"Ten Age Talks"—Mrs. Danenhower  
Discussion  
"The Habit of Worship"—Rev. D. J. Taylor  
Address of President—E. A. Ross  
Report of Schools  
Lunch at Church

**Saturday Afternoon**  
Music—Conducted by J. H. McCoy  
Devotional—Dr. C. L. Hatfield  
Musicals in the Sunday School  
Mrs. Murphy, Clatskanie  
Music—Kaffir Songs—Mrs. C. Johnston and Miss Gypsy Johnston  
Reports of Committees  
Election of Officers  
Address—Mrs. Danenhower  
Music  
Elementary Work in the Sunday School—Mrs. S. E. DuBois, Portland  
Patrol Address—Rev. A. S. Hisey  
Patrol Singing  
Benediction

### PYTHIANS ENTERTAIN RIDGEFIELD LODGE

Annual Clam Chowder and Visit of Neighboring Lodge.

Members of Avon lodge of Knights of Pythias and the Pythian Sisters were hosts to Ridgefield lodge and their ladies Wednesday night at the annual clam chowder supper. About twenty-five visitors from the little city across the river were present and enjoyed the hospitality of the local lodge. Progressive 500 was played and Miss Edith Hoyt, of Ridgefield won first prize for the ladies, while Theo. Rasmussen won the gentlemen's prize. Mrs. E. Blakesley and Harry Cornthwaite were awarded the consolation prizes. Chiefs Martin White and "Bill" Fullerton, who are regularly employed by the lodge to furnish clam chowder at least once each year, maintained their previous good records by furnishing steaming hot chowder and many trimmings "on the side." At a late hour, and after speeches by several of the visiting brothers and a response by E. I. Ballagh in behalf of the local lodge, the meeting adjourned to meet next summer in Ridgefield during "strawberry time."

### COLUMBIA COUNTY SCHOOL NOTES

(By J. W. Allen, County School Superintendent.)

The Vernonia high school is growing rapidly. A teachers' training course has been established there. A new room has been equipped for the primary department and a large room is provided for manual training. Alder Grove school, District No. 24, will erect a fine large gymnasium which will also be used as a general play shed and for community purposes.

Scappoose schools have put in manual training this year. Their first task was to make their own work benches. They did very creditably. District No. 55 has erected a new play shed. A nice new book case was in evidence also.

The Clatskanie schools closed for a week recently in order that the pupils might assist with the farm work. Miss Loretta M. West, teacher of the Clatskanie Heights school, proved that she was no slacker by going to the potato fields and picking up potatoes, earning the neat sum of about \$10, rather than spending her time loafing.

The county school library books are being sent out this week. Each district, upon receipt of their books, should see to it that they are properly labeled and in charge of a librarian and see to it further that the library is locked and that the books are returned to the library. Hundreds of books are lost because of the carelessness of the school librarian or the lack of having a suitable one.

Every teacher in the county should be a Palmer writer and know how to teach it effectively. School boards have a right to demand that their teacher teach Palmer writing and get results.

The first local institute will be held at Vernonia on November 24.

District No. 50 is considering the proposition of erecting a new schoolhouse. More school building has been effected during the last year than ever before in the county in the like period of time.

The county superintendent has visited all the schools except a few along the railroad, which will be reached soon.

### TWO THINGS MOST DESIRED BY SOLDIERS

There are two things the soldier boy wants more than anything else in the world—a letter from home and a copy of his old home newspaper. The first brings him the love he craves, the other the news he longs for. Sunday, November 11, has been set aside as a day when everyone is asked to write a letter to a soldier boy and to send him a copy of the home paper.

**Rome Admits Withdrawal**  
Rome, Nov. 8.—Withdrawal of the Italian line was continued yesterday, the war office announced today. The larger units retired unmolested.

Always trade in your home town.

### POSTOFFICE DOES MUCH BUSINESS

More Than Seven Thousand Dollars in October.

The St. Helens postoffice did a healthy business during the month of October. The totals as furnished the Mist by Mrs. Dodd amounts to \$7,668.68, and is distributed as follows:

Postal savings ..... \$2,210.00  
Stamp sales ..... 469.74  
Money orders ..... 4,388.94  
Comparing October, 1917, with October, 1916, there is a slight decrease in the amount of postal orders issued. Mrs. Dodd attributes this decrease to the fact that last year many orders were sent to the California mail order liquor houses. The stamp sales and also the postal saving deposits both show increases over the previous year.

### REVIVAL SERVICES AT M. E. CHURCH

William S. Gordon, Oregon's poet-preacher, has been engaged by the St. Helens Methodist church for a short series of evangelistic meetings beginning next Sunday. Mr. Gordon is author of "The Western Spirit," a book of poems of unusual merit. He will give short selections from his poetry from night to night. In his chosen field, Mr. Gordon has attained a remarkable success. He has a pleasing personality and is a most attractive and earnest speaker. The local church and the city of St. Helens is to be congratulated on having the opportunity of hearing so splendid a man as Mr. Gordon. Everyone is most cordially invited to hear him every night next week.



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### RED CROSS NOTES

The St. Helens Red Cross has been very busy recently on a new shipment of material which was received from headquarters. After many attempts a supply of yarn has also been received. The order of the day on Friday, November 9, will be the filling and packing of boxes for the volunteer boys from St. Helens.

The ladies of the Red Cross are very grateful to R. Constant for his donation of a fine bath tub, which will be sold for the benefit of the Red Cross.

The following new members have been added to the ever growing membership list: Mrs. N. E. Walker, Mrs. Percy Davis, Mrs. Robt. Farley, Mrs. Chas. Graham, Mrs. A. Johanson, Mrs. R. H. Rawson, Mrs. L. H. Kellough, Mrs. Anna Beseel, Mrs. Minnie Kelly, Mrs. McQueen, Mrs. W. P. Fox, Mrs. Martin Freburg, Mrs. George Christie, Mrs. N. O. Larabee, Mrs. E. McIntire, Mrs. P. Robertson, Mrs. John Eastman, Mrs. Emma Brown and Mrs. S. Hyman. This brings the membership of the St. Helens branch up to 101.

### CITY NOW OWNS WATER FRONT

A deed has been received from the state land board conveying the tideland in front of St. Helens street to the city of St. Helens. The interests of Geo. H. Shinn and L. R. Rutherford in the property at the foot of the street has been purchased by the city and the deeds drawn and recorded, so that now the city has access to the water front on at least one street. The matter of building a public dock is not considered just at this time, although several years ago the people voted \$5,000 to be used for this purpose.

R. Henry, manager of the Oregon Forest Patrol Association, was in St. Helens Wednesday in consultation with the county court.

### BIG DAMAGE SUIT AGAINST RAILROAD

Five Thousand Dollars is Asked for Personal Injuries.

Through his attorneys Fred A. Geyer has filed an action against the S. P. & S. R. R. Co. for \$75,000 damages on account of personal injuries he received while in the employ of the defendant company. The accident happened at John Day tunnel on September 3, 1917. The complaint alleges that the plaintiff was employed as a brakeman on extra work train of the defendant company, and while on top of the train in the discharge of his duties he was struck by a heavy steel chute which was being used in removing the tunnel, that he was thrown to the ground and under the wheels of the train. His body was crushed and mangled and his right arm was so badly crushed that amputation was necessary. His left arm was broken in several places and he also lost several fingers. He suffered other injuries by reason of the accident. The plaintiff is 22 years of age, and at the time of the accident was making \$1,500 per year. He claims that by reason of his permanent injuries he is incapacitated from work, and asks damages in the sum mentioned.

### ST. HELENS LIST OF LIBERTY LOAN

Names of Those Who Bought Uncle Sam's Securities.

As promised in our last issue, we now furnish a complete list of those who live in St. Helens and nearby towns who purchased Liberty bonds. We were able to obtain this list from the Columbia County Bank, through which institution the loan applications were received. If there is any error or omission the Mist will take the full blame, for it is possible that in copying the several hundred subscription cards we might have made a mistake or overlooked a card. Save this list for future reference. If there are any omissions a correction will be gladly made.

\$50—Howard L. Algeo, Olof Anderson, John A. Anderson, Ruth Austin, Dorothy Eakin, Clarence W. Akin, Margaret Akin, John Anderson, Margaret Anderson, Albert Adams, H. C. Barnett, Inez Barber, Fred Blessing, Naomi Bennett, Mrs. I. M. Bendure, Walter Blakmore, E. J. Blakesley, A. M. Beeler, J. W. Brogg, Jack Baker, Eddie Benson, Jennie May Ballagh, L. G. Ballagh, Irene Cooley, J. L. Copeland, S. J. Cochrum, S. C. Cooper, B. E. Cooper, Madeline Cassatt, Annie Cox, Herbert Connor, T. Dams, Kenneth Deater, W. H. Davies, Minnie Doleah, May Disney, C. Danus, Oswald Deming, Futura Dahlgren, Iva Dodd, Frank Enyart, Mattie English, Edmund Ellsworth, John Fronsom, C. T. Fisher, Leo Farr, Laura Farr, Gwendolin Gum, Jas. Gallens, Ray Gallens, Clarence Goin, Von A. Gray, Gladys Grewell, Helen Grewell, J. A. Hajer, E. A. Harms, Helen Hoffman, Frank Hiley, A. S. Harrison, Houlton Woodcraft, G. L. Hardy, H. A. Saxon, Oury Hisey, A. J. Harrison, E. G. Hibbs, L. Hedstrom, E. A. Hedstrom, William Hoskin, C. A. Hellenberg, A. E. Hellenberg, W. Hammerback, Mrs. Ethel Hibbs, John Harrison, Annabel Isbister, Gordon Isbister, Virginia Johantgen, J. F. Johnson, S. H. Johnson, H. L. Jamison, Anna Kaster, Fred Ketel, W. E. King, J. K. Klotz, C. W. Kitchin, Rudolph Ketel, W. E. Lidyard, E. E. Leonard, S. E. Lynch, Edrie LaBare, Otto Lorenson, Idah Lidyard, P. H. Lund, M. Lindquist, Bert Lampa, Chas. Lope, Walter Lund, C. E. Lake, J. H. Lake, Amanda Lake, Wilbur Larabee, J. W. McVey, O. L. Munroe, Virginia Morton, Swenson C. Morton, Jr., Marion Morton, Lloyd McAbey, J. W. Martin, W. H. McTaggart, Martin E. Malmn, Serena Malmn, E. J. McCallister, Hilma McCallister, M. C. Madison, Rhoda McKie, Chris Mathieson, Harry Monish, S. A. Nelson, W. L. Nichols, Joe Nelson, Sophie Nagle, Frank O'Conner, H. O. Oliver, Arthur Olsen, Chas. Osburne, Elizabeth Phillips, B. I. Plummer, Robert Peel, Virgil Powell, J. G. Pringle, Peter Pentikes, Geo. Pappostario, Harry Peterson, Emerson Quick, Alice Quick, B. C. Quam, G. Rathburn, R. H. Rawson, Nattie M. Ryan.

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### DEALERS IN EXPLOSIVES MUST LICENSE

Law Will Be in Force and Effect on November 15.

Any person in the United States found with explosives in his possession after November 15, and who does not have a license issued by the federal government showing the purpose for which the explosives are to be used, will be at once arrested and fined up to \$5,000 or sent to prison for one year.

This is the principal clause in a war measure passed by the last congress which is now being put into effect by the bureau of mines, department of the interior, which bureau has been charged with its enforcement. Francis S. Peabody, of Chicago, a well known coal operator familiar with the use of explosives, large amounts of which are used in the coal mining industry, has been appointed by Secretary of the Interior Lane to act as assistant to the director of the bureau of mines, Van H. Manning, in the enforcement of the law. Under the law, the director of the bureau is empowered to utilize the services of all United States officers and all police officers of the states, including the city police forces, county sheriffs, deputies, constables, and all officers in any way charged with police duties. The police of the cities have already been organized for this work, headed by a committee of chiefs of police in the big cities, of which Major R. W. Pullman, superintendent of police of Washington, D. C., is chairman. The police are not only to look after the enforcement of the law, but are also to make thorough investigations of all dynamite outrages and fires in factories and warehouses, and to make their reports to the director of the bureau of mines.

Persons apprehended in plots to blow up factories and bridges will be turned over to the authorities for prosecution under federal or state laws. Most states have specially severe punishments for these crimes. The penalty provided in this federal war measure is merely to cover the illegal possession of explosives.

The law provides that everyone who handles explosives must have a license. The manufacturer, the importer and the exporter must have licenses issued by the bureau of mines in Washington. The seller of explosives and the purchaser of explosives must also have licenses, these to be issued generally by county clerks or other local officers who are authorized to administer oaths. There will be at least one licensing officer in each county, and more agents will be designated if the county is sufficiently large to warrant it. If a state has laws providing for a system of licensing persons manufacturing, storing, selling or using explosives, the state officials authorized to issue such state licenses shall be designated as federal licensing agents; also city officials qualified to issue city explosives licenses will be given authority to issue federal licenses. A federal license will not relieve any person from securing licenses required under state laws and local ordinances.

In each state there will be appointed a state explosives inspector, who will represent the bureau of mines in the administration of the law within the state.

Only citizens of the United States or of countries friendly to the United States and the allies may so obtain licenses.

Contractors, mining companies, quarrymen and others using large quantities of explosives, which are handled by employees, may issue explosives to their employees only through those employees holding a license, called a foreman's license.

The purchaser of dynamite, in obtaining a license, must state definitely what the explosive is to be used for and will be held accountable for its use as stated and the return of any explosives that may be left.

With the strict enforcement of this law, the federal authorities hope to prevent explosives falling into the hands of evil-disposed persons and to put a stop to all further dynamite plots.

Thos Basse, the Quincy merchant, was a business visitor in St. Helens Thursday.

### COLUMBIA CITY ROAD APPROVED BY COURT

ROAD REPORT ADOPTED

County Court Gives Consideration to Petition for New Road.

The county court has adopted the surveyor's and viewers' report on the proposed Columbia City-St. Helens road. A delegation of citizens waited on the court Wednesday morning and submitted facts and figures as to the necessity of the road, and since the report of the surveyor and viewers recommended the building of the road, their reports were adopted by the court. The action of the court means that soon the plans and specifications will be prepared and some work done. Both Commissioners Harvey and Weed favored the road, but the only stumbling block was as to the funds available. It was pointed out to the court that while the St. Helens road district would be entitled to some of the general road fund money, that it would be perfectly agreeable to the citizens of St. Helens if this proportion of the fund was spent on the Pittsburg-Nehalem road and the Columbia City road. Mr. Harvey stated that he was much in favor of the former road and pledged his aid in getting as much work done on the road during the coming year as possible. He also stated that roads in any part of the county would receive the same consideration from him as if they were within his own district, and the action of the court in regards to both roads mentioned bears out his statement.

A remonstrance signed by 34 persons was presented to the court, asking that the road be not built, but a petition containing the names of 267 in favor of the road more than offset the remonstrance.

The action of the court is much appreciated by the many who were in favor of this important road which will mean much to both Columbia City and St. Helens, and it is to be hoped that plans will soon be formulated for its building.

### CAMPAIGN STARTED FOR Y. M. C. A. FUND

Chairman Stone Appoints Sub-Committees and Captains.

Chairman A. L. Stone, to whom has fallen the task of raising \$1,500 in Columbia county as the county's proportion of the \$35,000,000 Y. M. C. A. war fund has already made plans for the successful conduct of the work in this county. Glen R. Metsker has been appointed to and accepted the chairmanship of the speaker's committee. S. C. Morton will have charge of the publicity part of the work, and it will be the duty of Mr. Stone to keep everybody going at full speed in order to obtain the results desired.

In the district outlined, the general chairman has appointed team captains who will in turn appoint the teams to do the work in that district. J. B. Wilkerson has been selected as the captain for the Vernonia team; W. A. Hall at Clatskanie, and W. E. Trimblay will have charge of the work in Rainier. Sam Alexander will look after Goble, while C. H. English will see to it that Deer Island contributes its quota. St. Helens is expected to raise \$300 on the fund and the work has been entrusted to County Clerk Barnett, who will appoint a good team to help him get the money. S. W. Dahlgren will have charge of the work at Warren, and at Scappoose R. F. Niblock will be in command of a team. The real work starts during the coming week, and General Chairman Stone will have his captains fully informed as to what results they must obtain. The Y. M. C. A. army work is in reality a part of the army life and must be supported. Look pleasant and do your share when a member of the soliciting team comes around to see you.

H. E. Abry, roadmaster of Columbia county, was a Hillsboro visitor Monday, returning home via way of Vernonia to make an inspection of roads. He was formerly connected with the P. R. & N. office in Hillsboro and has many friends here.—Hillsboro Independent.